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Dear Reader:

This is the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for NASA's Sounding Rockets Program at the Poker Flat Research Range (PFRR), Alaska. Prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the DEIS evaluates the environmental consequences of five alternative means for continuing sounding rocket launches at PFRR.

This DEIS has been sent to you because public involvement is a very important part of the NEPA process. Please review and provide comments on the DEIS no later than sixty (60) days following the publication of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register*. Once known, this date will be posted on the project website at:

http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr_eis.html.

Comments should be as specific as possible and should address distinct aspects of the DEIS document, including alternatives or the adequacy of the environmental analysis. We will consider all comments received in preparing the Final EIS. However, please note that all public comments received, including commenter name and address, will be included in the publicly available project record. Should you, as an individual, wish that we withhold your name or contact information, please clearly state this at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request to the extent allowed by law. However, we are unable to withhold the names or contact information for persons representing organizations, government agencies, or businesses.

Additionally, our project team will be hosting several public meetings in Alaska to discuss the DEIS with interested parties. We encourage you to attend a meeting to speak with members of our team and to learn more about sounding rockets at PFRR. As meeting times and locations are scheduled, notices will be posted on the project website and published in the *Federal Register* or local news media.

The DEIS is available for review online at **http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr_eis.html**. You may also request a hard copy or compact disc.

All requests for copies of the DEIS and comments should be submitted by one of the following options:

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We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your participation in this process!